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# **Legislative Update #2**

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There have been many bills proposed this legislative session. In order to assist in information sharing related to bills that are of interest to the behavioral health community we are going to issue a series of updates grouped by topic. I hope this helps manage the flow of information related to these important topics. This update will concentrate on proposals related to <u>Vaping and Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems.</u>

<u>SB-354</u> AN ACT RESTRICTING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEM AND VAPOR PRODUCTS.

SB-397 AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF FLAVORED VAPOR PRODUCTS.

<u>SB-535</u> AN ACT INCREASING THE SALES AND USE TAXES ON VAPING PRODUCTS AND ESTABLISHING A FUND FOR ADDICTION TREATMENT SERVICES FOR CHILDREN.

<u>SB-617</u> AN ACT CONCERNING THE MINIMUM AGE AND PENALTY FOR ILLEGAL SALES OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS.

SB-618 AN ACT RAISING THE MINIMUM AGE TO PURCHASE ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS.

SB-704 AN ACT REQUIRING IDENTIFICATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF VAPOR PRODUCTS

SB-752 AN ACT CONCERNING SMOKING AND VAPING ON BEACHES IN STATE PARKS (ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR 2/04/19)

HB-5141 AN ACT RAISING THE MINIMUM AGE TO PURCHASE ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS TO TWENTY-ONE.

HB-5522 AN ACT REQUIRING AGE VERIFICATION FOR ANY ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEM OR VAPOR PRODUCT PURCHASED OVER THE INTERNET.

You can find information on the bills above by clicking on the bill hyperlink provided or by visiting <u>cga.ct.gov</u>. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about any of the information contained in the legislative updates. I can be reached at (860) 418-6839 or <u>mary.mason@ct.gov</u>. During session, you may want to try to reach me on my cell phone at (860) 985-2120 since I am often at the Capitol and away from my desk phone.